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Blackhawk Mining & Development Company
P.O. Box 440
Wallace, ID 83873-0440
208-753-4321

May 16, 2008

Cara Steiner-Riley
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10
Office of Regional Counsel, Mail Code ORC 158
1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900
Seattle, Washington 98101

Re: Second Request for Information Regarding Coeur d'Alene Basin, Idaho
Blackhawk Mining and Development Co.

Dear Ms. Steiner-Riley:

Blackhawk Mining and Development Company ("Blackhawk") has received a letter dated May 6, 2008 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") seeking certain financial information in connection with the Coeur d'Alene Basin Site in northern Idaho, as well as a prior letter dated March 7, 2008 which sought similar information.

In response to EPA's information requests, I need to inform you that Blackhawk sought relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on April 21, 2008. Blackhawk is willing to cooperatively respond to reasonable requests for information as part of the Chapter 11 process, but otherwise reserves all rights and defenses available to it as a debtor in bankruptcy, including the rights afforded under the automatic stay of 11 U.S.C. § 362. You should also be aware that David Dain and Alan Tenenbaum of the United States Department of Justice have appeared in this case representing United States Government interests.

Blackhawk takes very seriously the information requests it receives pursuant to Sections 104 and 107 of CERCLA. In this case, the Company has performed an appropriate internal review and is providing the attached schedules which identify the Company's relevant financial information. The attached information is responsive to EPA's information request numbers 2 through 4.

In addition, Blackhawk provides the following responses to EPA's information request numbers 1 and 5:



1. Respondent Information

- a. Provide the full legal name and mailing address of the Respondent.

Blackhawk's Response: Respondent's full legal name is Blackhawk Mining and Development Company. Its mailing address is: P.O. Box 440, Wallace, ID 83873-0440

- b. For each person answering these questions on behalf of Respondent, provide:

- i. full name;
- ii. title;
- iii. business address;
- iv. business telephone number and FAX machine number.

Blackhawk's Response: This response has been prepared on behalf of Respondent by J. Christopher Pfahl. My title is Registered Agent. My contact information is as follows:

P.O. Box 438
64270 Golconda Drive
Wallace, ID 83873
phone: (208) 753-4321
fax: (208) 752-6151

- c. If Respondent wishes to designate an individual for all future correspondence concerning this Site, please indicate here by providing that individual's name, address, telephone number, and fax number.

Blackhawk's Response: J. Christopher Pfahl is designated as the individual for receiving future correspondence concerning this Site on behalf of Blackhawk. Please see the response to request number 1.b above for his contact information.

- d. If Respondent, its parent corporation, subsidiaries, predecessor, successor, or other related or associated companies have filed for bankruptcy, provide:

- i. the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in which the petition was filed;
- ii. the docket numbers of such petition;
- iii. the date the bankruptcy petition was filed;
- iv. whether the petition is under Chapter 7 (liquidation), Chapter 11 (reorganization), or other provision; and

v. a brief description of the current status of the petition.

Blackhawk's Response: As noted above, Blackhawk filed for bankruptcy protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on April 21, 2008. This petition was filed in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, and has been assigned docket number 08-20200. The bankruptcy proceeding is at an early stage.

5. Compliance with this Request. Describe all sources reviewed or consulted in responding to this request, including, but not limited to:
- a. the name and current job title of all individuals consulted;
 - b. the location where all documents reviewed are currently kept.

Blackhawk's Response: Blackhawk has consulted with its outside counsel in preparing this response, Baker Botts, L.L.P. The attorneys involved are Tony Davis (713-229-1547) and Bart Seitz (202-639-7895). Documents reviewed in preparing this response are located at Wallace, Idaho.

Should you have any questions about Blackhawk's response, I can be reached at (208) 753-4321.

Respectfully,



J. Christopher Pfahl

Cc: David Dain
Alan Tenenbaum
Thomas L. Aldrich
Tony M. Davis
Bart Seitz

United States Bankruptcy Court

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Blackhawk Mining and Development Company,
Debtor

Case No. 08-20200

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULES*

Indicate as to each schedule whether that schedule is attached and state the number of pages in each. Report the totals from Schedules A, B, D, E, F, I, and J in the boxes provided. Add the amounts from Schedules A and B to determine the total amount of the debtor's assets. Add the amounts from Schedules D, E, and F to determine the total amount of the debtor's liabilities.

NAME OF SCHEDULE	ATTACHED (YES/NO)	NO. OF SHEETS	AMOUNTS SCHEDULED		
			ASSETS	LIABILITIES	OTHER
A - Real Property	YES	1	\$9,158.98		
B - Personal Property	YES	4	Undetermined		
C - Property Claimed As Exempt	NO	0			
D - Creditor Holding Secured Claims	NO	0		\$0.00	
E - Creditors Holding Unsecured Priority Claims	NO	0		\$0.00	
F - Creditors Holding Unsecured Nonpriority Claims	YES	1		Undetermined	
G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases	NO	0			
H - Codebtors	NO	0			
I - Current Income of Individual Debtor(s)	NO	0			Undetermined
J - Current Expenditures of Individual Debtor(s)	NO	0			Undetermined
Total Number of Sheets in ALL Schedules		6			
Total Assets			Undetermined		
Total Liabilities				Undetermined	

* Unlike the consolidated financial statements which are prepared on a consolidated basis and audited annually, these Schedules and Statements, to the extent possible, reflect the assets and liabilities of Blackhawk Mining and Development Company. The assets and claims set forth in the Schedules and Statements of the Debtor are substantially different from financial information regarding Blackhawk Mining and Development Company that would be prepared on a consolidated basis under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP"). Therefore, these Schedules and Statements do not purport to represent financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP nor are they intended to fully reconcile to such financial statements.

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SCHEDULE A - REAL PROPERTY

Except as directed below, list all real property in which the debtor has any legal, equitable, or future interest, including all property owned as a cotenant, community property, or in which the debtor has a life estate. Include any property in which the debtor holds rights and powers exercisable for the debtor's own benefit. If the debtor is married, state whether husband, wife, or both own the property by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community." If the debtor holds no interest in real property, write "None" under "Description and Location of Property."

Do not include interests in executory contracts and unexpired leases on this schedule. List them in Schedule G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

If an entity claims to have a lien or hold a secured interest in any property, state the amount of the secured claim. See Schedule D. If no entity claims to hold a secured interest in the property, write "None" in the column labeled "Amount of Secured Claim."

If the debtor is an individual or if a joint petition is filed, state the amount of any exemption claimed in the property only in Schedule C - Property Claimed as Exempt.

Description and Location of Property	Acres Owned	Interest	Value	Secured Claim
Land in Shoshone County, Idaho	179	Fee Simple	\$9,158.98	N/A

SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL PROPERTY

Except as directed below, list all personal property of the debtor of whatever kind. If the debtor has no property in one or more of the categories, place an "x" in the appropriate position in the column labeled "None." If additional space is needed in any category, attach a separate sheet properly identified with the case name, case number, and the number of the category. If the debtor is married, state whether husband, wife, or both own the property by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community." If the debtor is an individual or a joint petition is filed, state the amount of any exemptions claimed only in Schedule C - Property Claimed as Exempt.

Do not include interests in executory contracts and unexpired leases on this schedule. List them in Schedule G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

If the property is being held for the debtor by someone else, state that person's name and address under "Description and Location of Property." In providing the information requested in this schedule, do not include the name or address of a minor child. Simply state "a minor child."

TYPE OF PROPERTY	N O N E	DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	CURRENT VALUE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY, WITHOUT DEDUCTING ANY SECURED CLAIM OR EXEMPTION
1. Cash on hand.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2. Checking, savings or other financial accounts, certificates of deposit, or shares in banks, savings and loan, thrift, building and loan, and homestead associations, or credit unions, brokerage houses, or cooperatives.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. Security deposits with public utilities, telephone companies, landlords, and others.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
4. Household goods and furnishings, including audio, video, and computer equipment.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
5. Books, pictures and other art objects; antiques; stamp, coin, record, tape, compact disc, and other collections or collectibles.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
6. Wearing apparel.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
7. Furs and jewelry.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8. Firearms and sports, photographic, and other hobby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

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<p>equipment.</p> <p>9. Interests in insurance policies. Name insurance company of each policy and itemize surrender or refund value of each.</p> <p>10. Annuities. Itemize and name each issuer. ■</p> <p>11. Interests in an education IRA as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 530(b)(1) or under a qualified State tuition plan as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 529(b)(1). Give particulars. (File separately the record(s) of any such interest(s). 11 U.S.C. § 521(c); Rule 1007(b)). ■</p> <p>12. Interest in IRA, ERISA, Keogh, or other pension or profit sharing plans. Give particulars. ■</p> <p>13. Stock and interest in incorporated and unincorporated businesses. Itemize. ■</p> <p>14. Interests in partnerships or joint ventures. Itemize. ■</p> <p>15. Government and corporate bonds and other negotiable and non-negotiable instruments. ■</p> <p>16. Accounts receivable. ■</p> <p>17. Alimony, maintenance, support, and property settlements to which the debtor is or may be entitled. Give particulars. ■</p> <p>18. Other liquidated debts owed to debtor including tax refunds. Give particulars. ■</p> <p>19. Equitable or future interests, life estates, and rights or powers exercisable ■</p>		<p>ASARCO LLC has asbestos policies that cover its subsidiaries. To the extent applicable, see Exhibit B-9 to the Schedules filed under Case No. 05-21207</p>		<p>Undetermined</p>

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for the benefit of the debtor other than those listed in Schedule A - Real Property.				
20. Contingent and non- contingent interests in estate of a decedent, death benefit plan, life insurance policy, or trust.	■			
21. Other contingent and unliquidated claims of every nature, including tax refunds, counterclaims of the debtor, and rights to setoff claims. Give estimated value of each.	■			
22. Patents, copyrights, and other intellectual property. Give particulars.	■			
23. Licenses, franchises, and other general intangibles. Give particulars.	■			
24. Customer lists or other compilations containing personally identifiable information (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(41A)) provided to the debtor by individuals in connection with obtaining a product or service from the debtor primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.	■			
25. Automobiles, trucks, trailers, and other vehicles and accessories.	■			
26. Boats, motors, and accessories.	■			
27. Aircraft and accessories.	■			
28. Office equipment, furnishings, and supplies.	■			
29. Machinery, fixtures, equipment, and supplies used in business.	■			
30. Inventory.	■			

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31. Animals.	■			
32. Crops - growing or harvested. Give particulars.	■			
33. Farming equipment and implements.	■			
34. Farm supplies, chemicals, and feed.	■			
35. Other personal property of any kind not already listed. Itemize.	■			
Total ►				\$ Undetermined

SCHEDULE F - CREDITORS HOLDING UNSECURED NONPRIORITY CLAIMS

State the name, mailing address, including zip code, and account number, if any, of all entities holding unsecured claims without priority against the debtor or the property of the debtor, as of the date of filing of the petition. Do not include claims listed in Schedules D and E. If all creditors will not fit on this page, use the continuation sheet provided.

If any entity other than a spouse in a joint case may be jointly liable on a claim, place an "X" in the column labeled "Codebtor", include the entity on the appropriate schedule of creditors, and complete Schedule H - Codebtors. If a joint petition is filed, state whether husband, wife, both of them, or the marital community may be liable on each claim by placing an "H", "W", "J", or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community."

If the claim is contingent, place an "X" in the column labeled "Contingent". If the claim is unliquidated, place an "X" in the column labeled "Unliquidated". If the claim is disputed, place an "X" in the column labeled "Disputed". (You may need to place an "X" in more than one of these three columns.)

Report the total of all claims listed on this schedule in the box labeled "Total" on the last sheet of the completed schedule. Report this total also on the Summary of Schedules.

☐ Check this box if debtor has no creditors holding unsecured non-priority claims to report on this Schedule F.

CREDITOR'S NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS INCLUDING ZIP CODE	CODEBTOR	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT OR COMMUNITY	DATE CLAIM WAS INCURRED AND CONSIDERATION FOR CLAIM, IF CLAIM IS SUBJECT TO SETOFF, SO STATE	CONTINGENT	UNLIQUIDATED	DISPUTED	AMOUNT OF CLAIM
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation 1200 K Street, N.W., Suite 310 Washington, DC 20005-4026	X		Potential pension claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
ASARCO LLC 5285 East Williams Circle Tucson, AZ 85711			Potential intercompany claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Shoshone County Tax Collector 700 Bank Street Ste. 110 Wallace, ID 83873			Tax claim				\$408.30
Idaho State Tax Commission P.O. Box 36 Boise, ID 83722-0410			Potential tax claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
David L. Dain U. S. Dept. of Justice Environment and Natural Resources Division Ben Franklin Station P. O. Box 7611 Washington, DC 20044 Telephone: (202) 514-3644	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined

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Alan S. Tenenbaum U. S. Dept. of Justice Environment and Natural Resources Division Ben Franklin Station P. O. Box 7611 Washington, DC 20044	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Thomas E. Moss U.S. Attorney's Office District of Idaho 800 Park Blvd., Suite 600 Boise, Idaho 83712	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency c/o Steven A. Herman 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20460	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency c/o Gerald A. Emison 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20460	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 c/o Cynthia L. Mackey 1200 Sixth Avenue, SO-155 Seattle, WA 98101	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
State of Idaho Darrell G. Early Deputy Attorney General Office of the Idaho Attorney General Environmental Quality Section 1410 N. Hilton Boise, ID 83706	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Mr. Curt A. Fransen Idaho Office of the Attorney General 2005 Ironwood Parkway	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined

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Suite 120 Coeur d'Alene, ID 83184							
Dennis E. Wheeler Coeur d'Alene Mines Corporation 505 Front Avenue Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
William F. Boyd Coeur d'Alene Mines Corporation 505 Front Avenue Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Michael B. White 6500 Mineral Drive Box C-8000 Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814-1931	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
John S. Simko, President 815 Park Blvd. Boise, Idaho 83702	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Hecla Limited F/K/A Hecla Mining Company 6500 N Mineral Dr, Ste 200 Coeur D'Alene, ID 83815-9408	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Union Pacific Railroad Company c/o Patton Boggs LLP Attn: Robert W. Jones 2001 Ross Avenue Suite 3000 Dallas Tx 75201	X		Potential environmental claim	X	X	X	Undetermined
Total ►							Undetermined

DECLARATION CONCERNING DEBTOR'S SCHEDULES

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY BY INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing summary and schedules, consisting of _____ sheets (total shows on summary page plus 1), and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Date _____

Signature _____
Debtor

Date _____

Signature _____
(Joint Debtor, if any)
[If joint case, both spouses must sign]

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE OF NON-ATTORNEY BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER (See 11 U.S.C. §110)

I certify that I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. §110, that I prepared this document for compensation, and that I have provided the debtor with a copy of this document.

Printed or Typed Name of Bankruptcy
Petition Preparer _____

Social Security No. _____

Address _____

Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional signed sheets conforming to the appropriate Official Form for each person.

X _____
Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

_____ Date

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. §110; 18 U.S.C. §156.

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY ON BEHALF OF CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP

I, the Vice President [the president or other officer or an authorized agent of the corporation or a member or an authorized agent of the partnership] of Blackhawk Mining and Development Company [corporation or partnership] named as debtor in this case, declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing summary and schedules, consisting of _____ sheets (total shows on summary page plus 1), and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Date _____

Signature: _____

Thomas L. Aldrich
[Print or type name of individual
signing on behalf of debtor]

[An individual signing on behalf of a partnership or corporation must indicate position or relationship to debtor.]